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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

YOSHINOBU SHIRAIWA, et al.

Application No.: 09/111,731

Filed: July 8, 1998

For: IMAGE PROCESSING APPARATUS,)
METHOD AND RECORDING MEDIUM:

Box Missing Part The Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

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ATTENTION: APPLICATION PROCESSING DIVISION, SPECIAL PROCESSING AND CORRESPONDENCE BRANCH

RESPONSE TO NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED

Sir:

In response to the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED mailed August 4, 1998, enclosed please find an executed Declaration/Power of Attorney form, together with the surcharge fee of \$130.00. Also enclosed is a copy of the NOTICE TO FILE MISSING PARTS OF APPLICATION - FILING DATE GRANTED.

Please note that the third joint inventor has changed her name from Yumiko Hidaka to Yumiko Ohsaki, and

that this change is reflected on the enclosed Declaration/Power of Attorney form. The Assistant Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 06-1205. A duplicate copy of the document is attached for that purpose. Applicants' undersigned attorney may be reached in our Costa Mesa, CA office by telephone at (714) 540-8700. All correspondence should continue to be directed to our below listed address. Respectfully submitted, Attorney for Applicants Registration No. FITZPATRICK, CELLA, HARPER & SCINTO 30 Rockefeller Plaza New York, New York 10112-3801 Facsimile: (212) 218-2200 F512\A0097681.DOC (Rev. 6/29/98) C-14816

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## CLAIM TO PRIORITY

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Sir:

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Applicants hereby claim priority under the Group 2700 International Convention and all rights to which they are entitled under 35 U.S.C. § 119 based upon the following RECEIVED Japanese Priority Applications:

1) 9-183697, filed July 9, 1997

9-198341, filed July 24, 1997

GROUP 2100

Certified copies of the priority documents are enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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